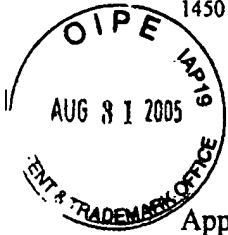
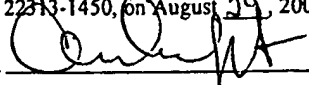


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION

Sir:

In response to the July 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.